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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
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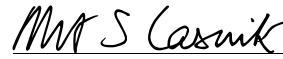
9 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
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11 Plaintiff,
12 v.
13 JESUS ESTRADA-CONTRERAS,
14 MAURICIO ESTRADA-MUNOZ, and
15 MIGUEL ORTEGA-ESTRADA
Defendant.

Case No. CR17-301RSL

ORDER DENYING
WITHOUT PREJUDICE
MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE
ORDER

16 This matter comes before the Court on the government's motion for a protective order.
17 Dkt. # 44. The government seeks a protective order shielding certain material involving
18 witnesses' names and identifying information. Two of the defendants do not agree to the motion.
19 Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 16(d) provides that the Court may deny, restrict, or defer
20 discovery for good cause shown. The protective order the government seeks goes beyond
21 measures the Court has taken for similar cases in the past, and the government's motion does not
22 describe with particularity the reasons this case merits a protective order. The Court accordingly
23 DENIES the motion without prejudice. The government is welcome to seek a protective order
24 upon a greater showing of why it is warranted in this specific case.
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1 Dated this 2nd day of March, 2018.

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4 Robert S. Lasnik
5 United States District Judge
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